

Focus Report
New Chemicals Program
PMN Number: **L-14-0271**

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Consolidated Set:
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I. Notice Information

Submitter: Resman USA CAS Number: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Use: Tracer for production monitoring in oil and gas wells. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] P2REC: CRSS: forward.
P2 Claims: The LVE substance can replace radioactive, high volume chemical, or fluorinated tracers.
Other Uses: [REDACTED]
PV-Max: 10,000 Kg/yr Binding Option: No
Manufacture: Import: X

II. SAT Results

(1) **Health Rating:** 1-2 **Eco Rating:** 3 **Comments:** ;
Occupational: 1C **Non-Occupational:** 1 **Environmental:** 1
(1) **PBT:** 3 1 **Comments:**
Awaiting Human Health Entry
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III. OTHER FACTORS

Categories:

Health Chemical Category: Ecotox SAR and TSCA New Chemical Category: Neutral Organics; Neutral Organics

Related Cases/Regulatory History:

Health related Cases: [REDACTED]
Ecotox Related Cases: Analogs: [REDACTED]
Regulatory History: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - GRANTED WITH CONDITION (FCG)
CRSS P2Rec: P2Rec-P2 Recognition

MSDS/Label Information:

MSDS: Yes Label: No
General Equipment: gloves (selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it) / Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166. Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN166 (EU). / Impervious clothing (e.g. work overall, apron, lab coat).
Respirator: For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).
Health Effects: Inhalation of dust from the break down products may cause headaches or respiratory irritation. Prolonged or repeated exposure can irritate eyes and skin.

TLV/PEL (PMN or raw material): - none established.
LVEPPE: Solid form, PPE: gloves, eye protection

Exposure Based Information:

Exposure Based Review: N
Exposure Based Review (Eco): N
Exposure Based Review (Non Occupational):

Exposure Based Review (Health): N
Exposure Based (Occupational): No
Exposure Based (Environmental):

IV. Summary of SAT Assessment

Fate:

Fate Summary: L-14-0271
FATE: [REDACTED]
Liquid with MP < 25 °C (E)
S = 39 mg/L at 25 °C (E)
VP < 1.0E-6 torr at 25 °C (E)
BP > 400 °C (E)
H < 1.00E-8 (E)
POTW removal (%) = 0-25 via sorption and biodeg; OECD 306(Closed Btl, Seawater): 0%/28d.
Time for complete ultimate aerobic biodeg ≥ mo
Sorption to soils/sediments = moderate
PBT Potential: P3B1
*CEB FATE: Migration to ground water = moderate

Health:

Health Summary: Poor absorption all routes based on physical/chemical properties. There are uncertain concerns for solvent irritation to the eye, lung, and mucous membranes.

Ecotox:

Ecotox Values:
Fish 96-h LC50: 21.7(P)
Daphnid 48-h LC50: 14.2(P) 1.6(M)
Green algal 96-h EC50: 19.1(P) 0.06(M)
Fish Chronic Value: 2.5(P)
Daphnid ChV: 2.1(P)
Algal ChV: 6.9(P) 0.032(M)

Ecotox values comments: Predictions are based on SARs for neutral organics; SAR chemical class = neutral organics; MW [REDACTED] log Kow = 3.2 (EPI [REDACTED]); liquid with unknown mp (P); S = 32 mg/L at 20 °C, pH 7 (P); pH7; effective concentrations based on 100% active ingredients and nominal concentrations; DW hardness <150.0 mg/L as CaCO₃; and DW TOC <2.0 mg/L;

Ecotoxicity Test Data Results for L-14-0271

Data submitted with L-14-0271

[REDACTED] Trade Name: RGTO-015) were for saltwater species that included the marine invertebrates *Acartia tonsa* and *Mysidia bahia*, the sediment dwelling invertebrate *Corophium volutator*, the marine diatom *Skeletonema costatum*, and the marine fish *Menidia beryllina* (Inland silverside). The PMN substance was classified as a Neutral Organics with a moderate predicted water solubility (39 mg/L). Predictions for fate and effects were carried out with a representative structure that contained [REDACTED]. The molecular weight was [REDACTED].

Fish Ecotoxicity Test:

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(*Menidia beryllina*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified) under static-renewal conditions with daily renewal. This study was reported to follow the requirements of EPA-821-R-02-014: "Short Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Marine and Estuarine Organisms" with strict adherence to the requirements of Method 1006. Five replicates of eight *M. beryllina* were exposed to a dilution water control (synthetic seawater) or the test substance as water accommodated fractions (WAFs) at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.5, 2.5, 12.5 and 62.6 parts per trillion (ppt). A 500,000 ppb WAF stock solution was prepared by adding 0.5 g of test substance to 1000 mL of diluent in a 1-L aspirator bottle. The WAF was then mixed for 24 hours on a magnetic stirrer using ½" diameter by 3" long stir bars. The depth of the vortex of each was adjusted to approximately 1/3 the total depth of the solution. After mixing for 24 hours, the WAF was allowed to settle for 60 minutes. After settling, the WAF was collected from the tubular outlet of the aspirator bottle. A second stock solution (5,000,000 ppt) was prepared and used to make a third stock solution at 5,000 ppt. This third stock solution was used to prepare the initial and subsequent renewal test solutions. During the study, temperature was maintained at $25 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$. The salinity of the dilution water (synthetic seawater) was 25 parts per thousand. There were no significant effects on survival or growth. Based on nominal concentrations, the 7-day NOEC and LOEC values were 62.6 and > 62.6 ppt, respectively, for both survival and growth. This study was considered unacceptable to characterize the chronic fish endpoint since the highest test concentration was greatly below the limit of solubility and 10 mg/L and did not result in an effects determination. In addition the duration was too short.

7-day NOEC (survival and growth) = 62.6 ppt (0.0000626 mg/L)

7-day LOEC (survival and growth) > 62.6 ppt (0.0000626 mg/L)

Invertebrate Ecotoxicity Test:

(1) Opus Plus Limited conducted a 10-day sediment bioassay in marine amphipods (*Corophium volutator*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified). Test methods were conducted in accordance with SOP 102, which conforms to the Paris Commission guidelines for conducting sediment toxicity tests with the amphipod *Corophium volutator* (OSPARCOM 2006). Three replicates of twenty *C. volutator* were exposed to the test substance at nominal wet weight concentrations of 10, 100, 320, 1000 and 10000 mg/kg. Corresponding nominal dry weight concentrations of 16.34, 161.13, 509.84, 1573.66 and 14690.82 mg/kg were calculated using a wet-to-dry sediment ratio of 1.62. Additionally, five control replicates were tested concurrently in amended sediment combined with filtered seawater. The test substance was considered to be poorly soluble in a preliminary test and was therefore added to the test system via dried sediment. Tests were conducted in 1 L capacity glass beakers each containing 2 cm depth (approximately 150 mL) of amended sediment and 850 mL of overlying seawater (1 μm filtered ultra violet treated seawater). To prepare the test medium, an appropriate amount of test substance was initially mixed with a small quantity of dry sediment. The dried sediment and mixed test material was then incorporated with the wet sediment within the mixing container. The mixing vessels were then placed on a platform shaker at approximately 150 rpm for 3 hours. After this period, the contents of each container were equally distributed between the replicate vessels. Vessels were covered with a sheet of Perspex perforated with a small hole above the center of each beaker. Aeration was provided and a stream of air bubbles was released at a depth of approximately 6 cm. Over the course of the study, temperature ranged from 14.4 - 15.5°C , pH ranged from 7.78-8.21, dissolved oxygen ranged from 79-96% and salinity ranged from 35-40 ppt. Mean percent mortality at 0 (control), 16.34, 161.13, 509.84, 1573.66 and 14690.82 mg/kg was 2%, 6.7%, 3.3%, 100%, 100% and 100%, respectively. Based on nominal concentrations, the 10-day LC50 was 330 mg/kg (dry weight). The NOEC and LOEC values were 161 and 510 mg/kg (dry weight), respectively. The 10-day ChV was 286.5 mg/kg (dry weight). Although the approach is reasonable, the organic carbon content of the sediment was not clearly provided and since organic carbon content of sediment may impact the results of the study, there are uncertainties with the results. In addition, a table of the results should have been provided.

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test substance was considered to be poorly soluble in a preliminary test; therefore, exposures were carried out with water accommodated fractions (WAFs). Following a range-finding study, two replicates of ten *A. tonsa* were exposed to test substance WAFs at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.32, 1.0, 3.2 and 10.0 mg/L. Additionally, four replicates of ten *A. tonsa* were exposed to a dilution water control (treated seawater). WAFs were prepared by the direct addition of the required amount of test substance to seawater followed by gentle stirring for approximately 20 hours and a settling period of approximately one hour. After this settling period, the middle phase of the preparation was siphoned, avoiding incorporation of undissolved particles, if present. During the study, temperature ranged from 19.3-20.9°C and dissolved oxygen ranged from 86-88%. At the start of the study, the pH ranged from 8.09-8.22. The salinity of the dilution water was 36‰. A loading rate of 200 copepods/L was calculated. Mean percent mortality at 0 (control), 0.1, 0.32, 1.0, 3.2 and 10.0 mg/L was 2.5%, 9.6%, 25%, 33.2%, 100% and 100%, respectively. Based on nominal concentrations, the 48-hour LC50 was 1.59 mg/L. Based on the use of WAF methodology and the absence of analytic confirmation of test concentrations, observed adverse effects may have occurred at concentrations of less than the nominal values reported. Other concerns with the study include no reporting of test substance composition in the study report; however, a PMN attachment does provide more polymer weight information for RGTO-015. Considering that the study followed an established guideline and considering that effects were observed at concentrations less than the water solubility limit, the study was considered acceptable.

48-hour LC50 = 1.59 mg/L

(3) Environmental Enterprises USA, Inc. conducted a 7-day survival, growth and fecundity test in mysids (*Mysidopsis bahia*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified) under static-renewal conditions with daily renewal. This study was reported to follow the requirements of EPA-821-R-02-014: "Short Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Marine and Estuarine Organisms" with strict adherence to the requirements of Method 1007 and/or the Western Gulf of Mexico OCS General Permit. Eight replicates of five *M. bahia* were exposed to a dilution water control (synthetic seawater) or the test substance as water accommodated fractions (WAFs) at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.5, 2.5, 12.5 and 62.6 parts per trillion (ppt). A 500,000 ppb WAF stock solution was prepared by adding 0.5 g of test substance to 1000 mL of diluent in a 1-L aspirator bottle. The WAF was then mixed for 24 hours on a magnetic stirrer using ½" diameter by 3" long stir bars. The depth of the vortex of each was adjusted to approximately 1/3 the total depth of the solution. After mixing for 24 hours, the WAF was allowed to settle for 60 minutes. After settling, the WAF was collected from the tubular outlet of the aspirator bottle. A second stock solution (5,000,000 ppt) was prepared and used to make a third stock solution at 5,000 ppt. This third stock solution was used to prepare the initial and subsequent renewal test solutions. During the study, temperature was maintained at $26 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$. The salinity of the dilution water (synthetic seawater) was 25 parts per thousand. A loading rate of 33 *M. bahia*/L was calculated. There were no significant effects on survival or growth. Based on nominal concentrations, the 7-day NOEC and LOEC values were 62.6 and > 62.6 ppt, respectively, for both survival and growth. This study was considered unacceptable to characterize the chronic invertebrate endpoint since the highest test concentration was greatly below the limit of solubility and 10 mg/L and did not result in an effects determination. In addition the duration was too short.

7-day NOEC (survival and growth) = 62.6 ppt
7-day LOEC (survival and growth) > 62.6 ppt

Algal Ecotoxicity Test:

Opus conducted a 72-hour toxicity study in marine algae (*Skeletonema costatum*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified) under static conditions. This study was reported to follow SOP 104, ISO guideline No. 10253 (2006), Water quality – Marine algal growth inhibition test. The test substance was considered to be poorly soluble in a preliminary test; therefore, exposures were carried out with water accommodated fractions (WAFs). Following a range-finding study, three replicates of *S. costatum* (10,000 cells/mL) were exposed to test substance WAFs at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.032, 0.1, 0.32 and 1.0 mg/L. Additionally, six replicates of *S. costatum* (10,000 cells/mL) were exposed to a dilution control (treated seawater with nutrient medium). The algae were illuminated with a light intensity ranging from 6120-7750 lux with constant shaking. WAFs were prepared by the direct addition of the required amount of test substance to seawater followed by gentle stirring for approximately 20 hours and a settling period of approximately one hour. After this settling period, the middle phase of the preparation was siphoned, avoiding

incorporation of undissolved particles, if present. During the study, temperature ranged from 20.7-21.7°C and pH ranged from 8.01-8.67. Salinity of the dilution medium was 36‰. Based on nominal concentrations, the 72-hour EC50 for growth rate was 0.06 mg/L. The 72-hour NOEC and LOEC values were 0.032 and 0.1 mg/L, respectively; since the LOEC is greater than the EC50 a ChV is not calculated. Based on the use of WAF methodology and the absence of analytic confirmation of test concentrations, observed adverse effects may have occurred at concentrations of less than the nominal values reported. Other concerns with the study include no reporting of test substance composition in the study report; however, a PMN attachment does provide more polymer weight information for RGTO-015. Considering that the study followed an established guideline and considering that effects were observed at concentrations less than the water solubility limit, the study was considered acceptable.

72-hour EC50 = 0.06 mg/L

72-hour NOEC = 0.032 mg/L

72-hour LOEC = 0.1 mg/L

Both acute and chronic duration studies were provided; however, those chronic studies did not test to a high enough concentration to result in an effects determination and did not test to a sufficient duration. Even though concerns with study methodology were reported for the acute studies, submitted acute studies were guideline and suggested hazard in saltwater environments specific for this PMN. Predictive techniques were used to assess chronic hazard levels. An acute CoC of 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb) was calculated from the marine algae 72-hour EC50 of 0.06 mg/L with application of an assessment factor of 4 to account for species sensitivity distributions. A chronic CoC of 3 ppb was calculated from the marine algae NOEC of 0.032 (NOEC used since the LOEC>EC50) and an assessment factor of 10.

Acute CoC: 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb)

Chronic CoC: 0.003 mg/L (3 ppb)

Reviewer: K.Moran

Ecotox Factors:

Assessment Factor:	10
Concern Concentration:	
- Acute Value	
Concern Concentration:	3
- Chronic Value	

V. Summary of Exposures/Releases

Engineering Summary: L-14-0271

Exposures/Releases	Release	Release	Release
Scenario	Use: Tracer Chemical in Oil and Gas Wells	Use: Tracer Chemical in Oil and Gas Wells	Use: Tracer Chemical in Oil and Gas Wells
Sites	124	124	124
Media	Incineration	Water	Water or Landfill
Descriptor A	Output 2	Output 2	Output 2
Quantity A (kg/site/day)	2.3E-1	5.9E-5	1.0E-4
Frequency A (day/year)	350	350	350
Descriptor B			
Quantity B (kg/site/day)			
Frequency B (day/year)			
From	Release to Refinery from Separation Process	Release to Water from Off-Shore Separation Process	Equipment and Storage Tank Cleaning
Workers			
Exposure Type			

Engineering Summary: Exposures/Releases	Exposure		
Scenario	Use: Tracer Chemical in Oil and Gas Wells		
Sites	124		
Media	Dermal		
Descriptor A	High End		
Quantity A (kg/site/day)	1.7E-1		
Frequency A (day/year)	250		
Descriptor B			
Quantity B (kg/site/day)			
Frequency B (day/year)			
From	Equipment and Storage Tank Cleaning		
Workers	992		
Exposure Type	Liquid		

VI. Focus Decision and Rationale

Regulatory Actions

Regulatory Decision: LVE Grant

Decision Date: 04/30/2014

Type of Decision:

Rationale: L-14-0271 was granted. Human health hazard concerns were low-moderate for dermal and inhalation exposures. Potential risks to workers were mitigated by negligible inhalation exposures and appropriate dermal PPE. The engineer recommended amending the MSDS to include U.S. standards and a NIOSH-certified respirator, however due to negligible inhalation exposures the changes were not required. Ecotoxicity hazard concerns were high based on accepted acute test data. Potential risks to the environment were low due to no exceedances of the COC during the release period. This LVE was not bound at 200 kg/yr and was assessed at 10,000 kg/yr. The P2REC was forwarded.

COC: Chronic – 3 ppb, Acute – 15 ppb

Summary of Exposures and Releases

Proc

9 sites, 250 days/yr, 0 workers

Inhalation: Not expected

Dermal: Non-quantifiable

Use

124 sites, 350 days/yr, 992 workers

Inhalation: Negligible (VP < 0.001 torr)

Dermal: 1.7E-1 mg/day

Releases to Water: 5.9E-5 kg/site-day over 350 days/yr

Releases to Water: 1.0E-4 kg/site-day over 350 days/yr

Or Landfill

Releases via Incineration: 2.3E-1 kg/site-day over 350 days/yr

Fate Releases to Water (50% Removal)

SWC: 6.44E-03 ppb

DW: LADD: 9.44E-09 mg/kg/day, ADR: 3.14E-07 mg/kg/day

P2 Rec Comments:

Testing:

Final Recommended:

Health:

Eco:

Fate:

Other:

SAT Report

PMN Number: L-14-0271

SAT Date: 4/18/2014

Print Date: 12/4/2015

Related cases:

Health related cases:

Ecotox related cases:

Concern levels:

Type of Concern:	<u>Health</u>	<u>Eco</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Level of Concern:	1-2	3	

<u>Persistence</u>	<u>Bioaccum</u>	<u>Toxicity</u>	<u>Comments</u>
3	1	1	
		Awaiting	
		Human Health	
		Entry	
		Awaiting	
		Human Health	
		Entry	
		Awaiting	
		Human Health	
		Entry	

Exposure Based Review:

Health: No

Ecotox: No

Routes of exposure:

Health: Dermal Drinking Water Inhalation

Ecotox: All releases to water

Fate: ;

Keywords:

Keywords:

Summary of Assessment:

Fate:

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FATE:

Liquid with MP < 25 °C (E)

S = 39 mg/L at 25 °C (E)

VP < 1.0E-6 torr at 25 C (E)

BP > 400 C (E)

H < 1.00E-8 (E)

POTW removal (%) = 0-25 via sorption and biodeg; OECD 306(Closed Btl, Seawater): 0%/28d.

Time for complete ultimate aerobic biodeg ≥ mo

Sorption to soils/sediments = moderate

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Ecotox:

Test Organism	Test Type	Test End Point	Predicted	Measured	Comments
fish	96-h	LC50	21.7		
daphnid	48-h	LC50	14.2	1.6	
green algal	96-h	EC50	19.1	0.06	
fish	—	chronic value	2.5		
daphnid	—	chronic value	2.1		
algal	—	chronic value	6.9	0.032	
Sewage Sludge	3-h	EC50	—		
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(2) Opus Plus Limited conducted a 48-hour toxicity study in marine copepods (*Acartia tonsa*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified). This study was reported to follow ISO guideline No. 14669 (1999), Water Quality – Determination of acute lethal toxicity to marine copepods and ISO guideline No. 5667-16 (1998), Water Quality Sampling – Guidance on biotesting of samples. The test substance was considered to be poorly soluble in a preliminary test; therefore, exposures were carried out with water accommodated fractions (WAFs). Following a range-finding study, two replicates of ten *A. tonsa* were exposed to test substance WAFs at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.32, 1.0, 3.2 and 10.0 mg/L. Additionally, four replicates of ten *A. tonsa* were exposed to a dilution water control (treated seawater). WAFs were prepared by the direct addition of the required amount of test substance to seawater followed by gentle stirring for approximately 20 hours and a settling period of approximately one hour. After this settling period, the middle phase of the preparation was siphoned, avoiding incorporation of undissolved particles, if present. During the study, temperature ranged from 19.3-20.9°C and dissolved oxygen ranged from 86-88%. At the start of the study, the pH ranged from 8.09-8.22. The salinity of the dilution water was 36‰. A loading rate of 200 copepods/L was calculated. Mean percent mortality at 0 (control), 0.1, 0.32, 1.0, 3.2 and 10.0 mg/L was 2.5%, 9.6%, 25%, 33.2%, 100% and 100%, respectively. Based on nominal concentrations, the 48-hour LC50 was 1.59 mg/L. Based on the use of WAF methodology and the absence of analytic confirmation of test concentrations, observed adverse effects may have occurred at concentrations of less than the nominal values reported. Other concerns with the study include no reporting of test substance composition in the study report; however, a PMN attachment does provide more polymer weight information for RGTO-015. Considering that the study followed an established guideline and considering that effects were observed at concentrations less than the water solubility limit, the study was considered acceptable.

48-hour LC50 = 1.59 mg/L

(3) Environmental Enterprises USA, Inc. conducted a 7-day survival, growth and fecundity test in mysids (*Mysidopsis bahia*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified) under static-renewal conditions with daily renewal. This study was reported to follow the requirements of EPA-821-R-02-014: "Short Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Marine and Estuarine Organisms" with strict adherence to the requirements of Method 1007 and/or the Western Gulf of Mexico OCS General Permit. Eight replicates of five *M. bahia* were exposed to a dilution water control (synthetic seawater) or the test substance as water accommodated fractions (WAFs) at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.5, 2.5, 12.5 and 62.6 parts per trillion (ppt). A 500,000 ppb WAF stock solution was prepared by adding 0.5 g of test substance to 1000 mL of diluent in a 1-L aspirator bottle. The WAF was then mixed for 24 hours on a magnetic stirrer using ½" diameter by 3" long stir bars. The depth of the vortex of each was adjusted to approximately 1/3 the total depth of the solution. After mixing for 24 hours, the WAF was allowed to settle for 60 minutes. After settling, the WAF was collected from the tubular outlet of the aspirator bottle. A second stock solution (5,000,000 ppt) was prepared and used to make a third stock solution at 5,000 ppt. This third stock solution was used to prepare the initial and subsequent renewal test solutions. During the study, temperature was maintained at $26 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$. The salinity of the dilution water (synthetic seawater) was 25 parts per thousand. A loading rate of 33 *M. bahia*/L was calculated. There were no significant effects on survival or growth. Based on nominal concentrations, the 7-day NOEC and LOEC values were 62.6 and > 62.6 ppt, respectively, for both survival and growth. This study was considered unacceptable to characterize the chronic invertebrate endpoint since the highest test concentration was greatly below the limit of solubility and 10 mg/L and did not result in an effects determination. In addition the duration was too short.

7-day NOEC (survival and growth) = 62.6 ppt

7-day LOEC (survival and growth) > 62.6 ppt

Algal Ecotoxicity Test:

Opus conducted a 72-hour toxicity study in marine algae (*Skeletonema costatum*) with L-14-0271 (purity not specified) under static conditions. This study was reported to follow SOP 104, ISO guideline No. 10253 (2006), Water quality – Marine algal growth inhibition test. The test substance was considered to be poorly soluble in a preliminary test; therefore, exposures were carried out with water accommodated fractions (WAFs). Following a range-finding study, three replicates of *S. costatum* (10,000 cells/mL) were exposed to test substance WAFs at nominal concentrations of 0.1, 0.032, 0.1, 0.32 and 1.0 mg/L. Additionally, six replicates of *S. costatum* (10,000 cells/mL) were exposed to a dilution control (treated seawater with nutrient medium). The algae were illuminated with a light intensity ranging from 6120-7750 lux with constant shaking. WAFs were prepared by the direct addition of the required amount of test substance to seawater followed by gentle stirring for approximately 20 hours and a settling period of approximately one hour. After this settling period, the middle phase of the preparation was siphoned, avoiding incorporation of undissolved particles, if present. During the study, temperature ranged from 20.7-21.7°C and pH ranged from 8.01-8.67. Salinity of the dilution medium was 36‰. Based on nominal concentrations, the 72-hour EC50 for growth rate was 0.06 mg/L. The 72-hour NOEC and LOEC values were 0.032 and 0.1 mg/L, respectively; since the LOEC is greater than the EC50 a ChV is not calculated. Based on the use of WAF

methodology and the absence of analytic confirmation of test concentrations, observed adverse effects may have occurred at concentrations of less than the nominal values reported. Other concerns with the study include no reporting of test substance composition in the study report; however, a PMN attachment does provide more polymer weight information for RGTO-015. Considering that the study followed an established guideline and considering that effects were observed at concentrations less than the water solubility limit, the study was considered acceptable.

72-hour EC50 = 0.06 mg/L

72-hour NOEC = 0.032 mg/L

72-hour LOEC = 0.1 mg/L

Both acute and chronic duration studies were provided; however, those chronic studies did not test to a high enough concentration to result in an effects determination and did not test to a sufficient duration. Even though concerns with study methodology were reported for the acute studies, submitted acute studies were guideline and suggested hazard in saltwater environments specific for this PMN. Predictive techniques were used to assess chronic hazard levels. An acute CoC of 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb) was calculated from the marine algae 72-hour EC50 of 0.06 mg/L with application of an assessment factor of 4 to account for species sensitivity distributions. A chronic CoC of 3 ppb was calculated from the marine algae NOEC of 0.032 (NOEC used since the LOEC>EC50) and an assessment factor of 10.

Acute CoC: 0.015 mg/L (15 ppb)

Chronic CoC: 0.003 mg/L (3 ppb)

Reviewer: K.Moran

Factors	Values	Comments
Assessment Factor	10	
Concentration of Concern (ppb) Acute		
Concentration of Concern (ppb) Chronic	3	
SARs	Neutral Organics	
SAR Class	Neutral Organics	
TSCA New Chemical Category	Neutral Organics	

Ecotox Factors Comments:

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Fate assessor: **Ecotox assessor:** **Health assessor:**